1. Addl. Secretary, Ministry of Coal—CHAIRMAN
2. Adviser (Traffic) Ministry of Railways.
3. Joint Secretary, Ministry of Coal.
4. Adviser (Energy) Planning Commission.
5. Joint Secretary, Deptt. of Power.
6. Member (Operation), Central Electricity Authority.
7. Director (Operation) National Thermal Power Corporation.
8. Adviser (Projects) Ministry of Coal—MEMBER SECRETARY.
9. Chief General Manager (Coordn.) CIL Calcutta.
10. General Manager, CIL New Delhi.
11. Chief of Marketing, SCCL, Hyderabad.

The Group has since finalised the coal supply plan for ten TPSs in Western and Southern Regions and the same is under implementation.

(c) and (d) It has been reported that some units of Raichur TPS remained idle for want of coal. Coal supplies to Raichur TPS have been lately affected due to non-payment of coal dues to the coal companies. State Governments and Electricity Boards have been advised to ensure timely payments to coal companies to avoid dislocations in coal supplies.

Poor quality of Coal supplied to Thermal Power Stations in U.P.

4649. SHRI SOM PAL:
DR. NAUNIHAL SINGH:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received complaints from U.P.S.E.B. that poor quality coal has been and is being supplied by Coal India Limited to the U.P.S.E.B. for its Thermal Power Stations, which is resulting in loss of power generation and also damages to plants 'equipments';

(b) if so, what action has been taken in this regard; and

(c) what steps are being taken to ensure that only requisite grade of coal is supplied in future?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA): (a) to (c) Uttar Pradesh State Electricity Board power plants have been receiving coal traditionally from Northern Coalfields Ltd., Bharat Coking Coal Ltd., and Central Coalfields Ltd. Coal supplied from these Coalfields is billed as per declared grades. There are sometimes complaints, of grade slippages due to presence of extraneous material in coal, or of supply of unsized coal.

Coal companies are taking following steps to minimise the content of stones, shales etc. in coal sent to consumers:

(i) Segregation of stones at the time of loading coal.

(ii) In coal Handling Plants, slow moving picking belts are provided for picking up of shale and stone pieces.

(iii) Maintenance of sufficient stock at the siding so that picking can be ensured before loading.

(iv) Ensuring better supervision to maintain quality control, and developing quality consciousness among workers, supervisors and executives engaged at Railway sidings.

Coal supplies to NTPC power station

4650. SHRI SOM PAL:
DR. NAUNIHAL SINGH:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in the matter of coal supplies NTPC power